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Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your November 26th letter regarding our 2002 3rd Quarter report.

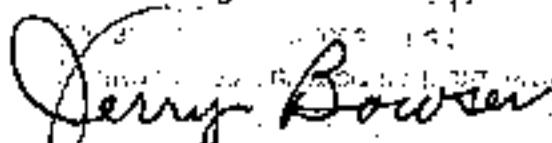
In regard to our transfer memos being less than rather than equal to or greater than the actual transfer from a joint fundraising committee, this was one of the last transfers and represents only a fraction of the total received from this fundraising effort. An examination of previous transfer memos from W/N 2002 in previous periods this year shows that the total transfer memos exceed the total amount of transfers. In closing the fundraising event books the W/N 2002 committee found that they had withheld more than necessary for related expenditures and, therefore, were able to return a portion of what was previously reported as well as what was reported on this report. In total the transfers have totaled \$38,689.82 through this report. During that same period, the transfer memos have totaled \$48,377.85.

Concerning the last-minute contribution which we failed to report on our pre-primary election 48-hour report, we were able to identify one contribution we failed to include on one of our 48-hour reports. This accidental omission was caused by our early reporting of contributions for the period from August 17th through August 21st on the 21st of August. The next day we deposited a check from Suzanne McIbergen that we received August 21st, which we had held for confirmation of attribution. Since we marked the contribution as received 8/21/02, it did not print on our subsequent 48-hour report for the period of August 22nd through August 23rd.

We apologize for this oversight. In reviewing our procedures, as you advised, we find that early filing of our 48-hour report may not be advisable. Waiting until the report for the 21st was actually due would have avoided the omission.

No amendment to our 48-hour report has been submitted since, according to the FEC Reports Analyst, Jill Sugarman, there is no need to do so. If you have any more questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully submitted,


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